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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the enclosed documents listed on attached form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record.

It is believed that no fee is due at the present time as this statement is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). However, should any fee be missing or insufficient, authorization is hereby given to charge said fee (or credit any overpayment) to deposit account number 12-2147.

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attached hereto in accordance with section 609(A)(3) of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP), second full paragraph, in fulfillment of the concise explanation of relevance requirement set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(3)(i).

While this statement contains all of the relevant information presently known to the Applicants, it should not be interpreted as a representation that an exhaustive search has been conducted or that no other relevant information exists. Moreover, the Applicants invite the Examiner to make an independent evaluation of the cited references to determine their relevance to the subject matter of the present application.

Finally, the Applicants urge that their claims are patentably distinguishable over all disclosed relevant information or any combination thereof.

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